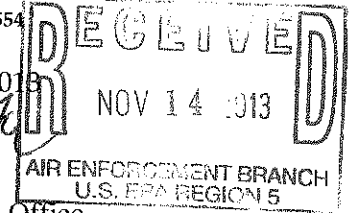


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Re: United States vs. A. Finkl & Sons Co. No.06 C 4297
Consent Decree – quarterly progress report

Enclosed you will find our quarterly progress report for the preceding quarter (July 1st, 2013 through September 30th, 2013).

As of March 1st 2013 all liquid steel production has been transferred to our new south-side facility at 1355 E. 93rd Street, Chicago. There has been no liquid steel production at Finkl's 2011 N. Southport Ave (north-side) location since March 1, and we plan on permanent closure of the north-side production facility after the shakedown and commissioning of our new south-side facility is completed.

Diesel Retrofit SEP progress:

As of January 30, 2008 the USEPA has approved the SEP completion report for the Diesel Retrofit SEP. See the attached letter from the USEPA.

Low Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) Burner System SEP progress:

As of January 30, 2008 the USEPA has approved the SEP completion report for the Low Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) Burner System SEP. See the attached letter from the USEPA.

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Copies of all opacity measurement records:

As agreed between Ms. Liszewski of the Regional Counsel's office and our counsel Mr. James Harrington of McGuire Woods LLP, attached are copies of opacity readings for those days on which opacity was detected. Copies of readings showing no opacity are available at the facility for review or can be submitted upon request.

Title V Permit:

An application containing a request to remove the non-applicability provisions in Section 7.3.4.a of the Title V permit, a commitment to comply with the NSPS for electric arc furnaces which construction or modification is commenced after August 17, 1983 at 40 C.F.R. Part 60, Subpart AAa. was submitted to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to paragraph 17 of the Consent Decree with copies submitted to the USEPA pursuant to Section 18 of the Consent Decree.

The Title V permit amendment has been logged into the IEPA system.

No response has been received as of this time.

Items Enclosed:

Cover Page

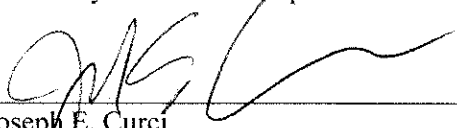
Document from the USEPA dated January 30, 2008 confirming the approval of the SEP completion reports.

Copies of July opacity readings (No production for this month).

Copies of August opacity readings (No production for this month).

Copies of September opacity readings (No production for this month).

I certify under penalty of law that I have examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that this document and its attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in a manner designed to ensure that qualified and knowledgeable personnel properly gather and present the information contained therein. I further certify, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, that I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment.



Joseph E. Curci
President and CFO
A Finkl & Sons Co.

Date: Nov 11, 2013



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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF
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Re: Consent Decree No. 06 C 4297 - Supplemental Environmental
Projects

Dear Mr. Curci:

A. Finkl and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) resolved Clean Air Act violations with a Consent Decree lodged in the Federal District Court, Northern District of Illinois, on August 11, 2006. The consent decree was entered on September 22, 2006. According to paragraph 21 of the decree, A. Finkl was to perform two Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs). We received A. Finkl's SEP completion reports dated November 5, 2007, and December 21, 2007. These reports fulfill the requirements of paragraph 25 of the consent decree.

In accordance with paragraph 27 of the decree, EPA is hereby approving the SEP completion reports. EPA finds A. Finkl has successfully completed the SEPs and the associated reporting obligations under the decree.

Please direct any questions regarding this case to Brian Dickens at (312) 886-6073.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William L. MacDowell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "W" and "M".

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